

Preliminary Amendment
Continuation of Application No. 09/132,711
Attorney Docket No. 032405-053

83. The method of Claim 82, wherein the step of deploying the anastomosis device is performed by moving the first and second tubes with respect to one another.

84. The method of Claim 82, wherein the step of receiving the anastomosis device on the anastomosis device applicator is performed by removably connecting a plurality of features of the anastomosis device to a plurality of connecting members at a distal end of the first tube.

REMARKS

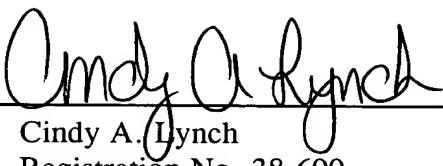
This Preliminary Amendment has been made to add new claims further defining the protection to which Applicants are entitled.

In the event that there are any questions concerning this Amendment, or the application in general, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned so as to expedite prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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